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June 26, 2017

#### Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58

2017 ETC Annual Report of Community Telephone Company

Study Area Code 442061

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Community Telephone Company ("Company"), JSI files the attached confidential version of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules.<sup>1</sup> Company seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information.<sup>2</sup> The redacted version is being filed this date via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System.

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President 301-459-7590

ikuykendall@jsitel.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58, Protective Order, DA 16-296 rel. March 22, 2016 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

# FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 Data Collection Form

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	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)	FCC Form 481
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<210>	For the prior	calendar yea	ar, were there	any reporta	ole voice servic	e outages?	No					
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Reference	Outage Start	Outage Start	Outage End	Outage End	Number of		911 Facilities	Service Outage	Affect Multiple		
Number	Date	Time	Date	Time	<b>Customers Affected</b>	<b>Total Number of</b>	Affected	Description (Check		Service Outage	Preventative
						Customers	(Yes / No)	all that apply)	(Yes / No)	Resolution	Procedures

(300) Unfulfilled Service Requipment Collection Form	uest				FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control July 2013	ol No. 3060-0819
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<310> Detail on attempts (voi	ce)					
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<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband)		0				
<330> Detail on attempts (br	oadband)					_
		N	Name of Attached Document			

(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers	FCC Form 481
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<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer pr	otection rules Yes	
		442061tx510.pdf	
<510>	Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Ru	ules Compliance	
<515>	Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards		

	unctionality in Emergency Situations ollection Form	REDACTE	D FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situa	ations	Yes	
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations		442061tx610.pdf	

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data  Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481  OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819  July 2013			
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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date 1/1/20 <702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge 18.08	17				

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					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
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(710) Broadbrand Price Offerings	FCC Form 481
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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rate and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select }
				- See attacl	ned				
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	erating Companies ection Form			FCC Form 481  OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819  July 2013
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Community Telephone Company, Inc.		
<811>	Holding Company	Not Applicable		
<812>	Operating Company	Community Telephone Company, Inc.		

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	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
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(900) Tri	bal Lands Reporting		FCC Form 481
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<900>	Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N)	No	
<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves		
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	Name of Attached	Document
If your o	ompany serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes		
-	rm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920,		
	trates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to	Select	
	B(a)(9) includes:	Yes or No or	
<921> <922>	Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions. Feasibility and sustainability planning;	Not Applicable	
<923>	Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;		
<924>	Compliance with Rights of way processes		
<925>	Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements		
<926>	Compliance with Facilities Siting rules		
<927>	Compliance with Environmental Review processes		
<928>	Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes		
<929>	Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.		
\J <b>\</b> J\	Compliance with fribal business and Licensing requirements.		

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(1000) V	pice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability			FCC Form 481
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<1000>	Voice services rate comparability certification	Yes		
<1010>	Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance			
			Name of Attached Document	t
<1020>	Broadband comparability certification		- Pricing is no more than the Wireline Competition Bureau	most recent applicable benchmark announced by
<1030>	Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance			
			Name of Attached Documen	t

•	o Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting lection Form		FCC Form 481  OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819  July 2013
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<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)	Yes	
<1130>	Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).	kbps	

(1200) Te	erms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	FCC Form 481
Lifeline		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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	Г	442061tx1210.pdf
		442001CX1210. pq1
<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	
	<b>-</b>	Name of Attached Document
<1220>	Link to Public Website HTTP	
<b>"</b> 51		
	heck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210,	
	bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to	
	(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must	
annually i	report:	
412245	Information describing the terror and conditions of converies	
<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	
	telephony service plans offered to Efferine subscribers,	
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	
112237	Additional charges for con cars, and races for each such plan.	

, ,	rice Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481  OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
Including	Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers		July 2013
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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

#### **Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting**

<2011>	3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.		
<2022>	Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4		
<2023>	Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only. The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.		
<2024A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?		
<2024B>	Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
<2025A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?		
<2025B>	Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)		

(2005) Price Cap	Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481	
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Price Ca	p Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}		
<2016>	Certification support used to build broadband		
Connect	America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}		
<2017A>	Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?		
<2017C>	Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.		
<2018>	Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
<2019>	Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)		

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481
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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan			
(3009)	Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)			
(3010A)	Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}	Υe	es - Attach Certifica	442061tx3010.pdf
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Docu Information	ment Listing Required	
(3012A)	54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community		
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Docu Information	ment Listing Required	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier $\{47\ CFR\ \S\ 54.313(f)(2)\}$	(Yes/No)	<b>O O</b>	
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	• 0	
(3015)	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:  Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports		_ v	
	(Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)			
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		· ·	442061tx3017.pdf
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Docu Information	ment Listing Required	
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:	(Yes/No)	0 0	
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers			
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows			
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers			
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant			
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.			
(3025)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows			, 
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Docu Information	ment Listing Required	

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(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)	FCC Form 481
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#### Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends



(4005) Rural Broadband Experiment Additional Documentation Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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## **4005 Rural Broadband Experiment**

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

## Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

**4001**. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

#### Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

speed and data usage allowances available in the

relevant geographic area.

**4003a**. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003	B.
<b>4003b</b> . Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (par	agraph 80)
<b>4004a</b> . Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
<b>4004b</b> . Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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Cliff Humpert 9404236201 ext.

## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

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Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients		
certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support ecipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.		
Name of Reporting Carrier:		
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date	
Printed name of Authorized Officer:		
Title or position of Authorized Officer:		
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:	
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can	pe punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or i under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	mprisonment

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

I certify that (Name of Agent)ISI		
Name of Authorized Agent: JSI		
Name of Reporting Carrier: COMMUNITY TEL CO		
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date:	06/23/2017
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Cliff Humpert		
Title or position of Authorized Officer: General Manager		
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 9404236201 ext.		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442061	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017	

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

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Attachments

### **Community Telephone Company**

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Response to Line 510 - Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules

Compliance - Voice and Broadband

In establishing this certification in its 2005 ETC Order,<sup>1</sup> the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers." <sup>2</sup> The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.<sup>3</sup> In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."

Community Telephone Company ("Company") hereby certifies that its voice service complies with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules under the Texas Administrative Code, Title 16, Part II, as established by the Public Utility Commission of Texas. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) filing a Local Exchange Tariff which discloses rates, terms and conditions of service to customers pursuant to Subchapter J requirements in Sections 26.201-26.230; (2) adherence to state consumer protection requirements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) ("2005 ETC Order").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *Id.* at para. 28.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." *Id.* at n. 71.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Id.* at n. 72.

governing telephone providers as identified in Subchapter B, in Sections 26.21-26.37; and (3) service quality standards requirements as identified in Subchapter C, Sections 26.51 -26.57. In addition, the Company complies with numerous federal consumer protection standards including, but not limited to: (1) Truth-in-Billing Rules outlined in 47 CFR § 64.2401; and (2) compliance with Federal CPNI rules, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

For its broadband service, Company hereby certifies that while there are no applicable state broadband service quality standards and consumer protection rules yet established under the Texas Administrative Code by the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Company discloses rates, terms and conditions on its public web site and the Company complies with applicable federal and state customer protection standards generally applicable to all businesses operating in Texas. In addition, the Company adheres to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in F.C.C. 47 C.F.R. Part 8 §8.3. The Company furthermore will comply with all requirements set forth in the 2015 Open Internet Order, as it applies to the Company.

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## Response to Line 610 - Ability to Function in Emergency Situations

#### for Voice and Broadband

Community Telephone Company ("Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 47, Part 54, Subpart C, \$54.202(a)(2)<sup>1</sup> and the Texas Administrative Code. The Company's network is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2). The Company can change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations also allows the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, the Company is able to function under emergency operations in accordance with Public Utility Commission of Texas Substantive Rules §26.51 *Reliability of Operations of Telecommunications Providers* and §26.52 *Emergency Operations* which include obligations for continuity of service and emergency operations planning and service provision capability for dominant carriers. Any central office not equipped with permanently installed standby generators contains as a minimum four hours of battery reserve without voltage falling below the level required for proper operation of all equipment. In addition, all central offices without installed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs that are designated by the Commission to "demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations."

emergency power facilities have a mobile power unit available which can be delivered and connected on short notice.

The Company's standby generators and battery back-up equipment support both voice and broadband network equipment in the event of an emergency situation.

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	TX	Windthorst	68.0	0.0	68.0	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Usage Allowance
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	TX	Windthorst	110.0	0.0	110.0	100.0	25.0	999999.0	Other, No Usage Allowance
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#### **Community Telephone Company, Inc.**

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#### Rates, Terms and Conditions for Lifeline Service

(Response to Form 481, Line 1210)

Local exchange service rates and charges as specified below are for basic local exchange service, including Tone Dialing Service, and facilities only. The rates for other ancillary services not specifically shown below are presented in Community Telephone Company's tariff(s) on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Unless otherwise specified, the rates and charges quoted below are for a period of one month, payable in advance and provide unlimited flat rate calling within the local exchange calling scope.

Residential Local Exchange Access Line Rates are provided in Line 700 included herein this ETC Annual Report. The residential local service rates listed in Line 700 do not include all mandatory taxes, fees and surcharges, including, but not limited to, state and local taxes, 9-1-1 fees and municipal franchise fees. Qualified Lifeline customers are eligible for Lifeline credits or discounts as outlined in the attached Lifeline tariff.

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#### IV. STATE LIFELINE PROGRAM

The State Lifeline Program ("State Lifeline") is a retail local service offering designed to make telephone service available at reduced rates to qualifying low-income customers.

#### A. General

- 1. A qualifying low-income customer subscribing to State Lifeline shall receive state reductions to their monthly tariffed residential local exchange access line rate.
- 2. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a customer who is otherwise eligible for State Lifeline from obtaining and using telecommunications equipment and services designed to aid such customer in utilizing qualifying telecommunications service.
- 3. State Lifeline rate reductions apply only to basic network service and do not apply to non-basic services, regulated or non-regulated, such as long distance service or custom calling services. Customers may subscribe to these services, where available, at their discretion. If the customer subscribes to a bundled service, where available, the discount shall only apply to the basic network service portion of the bundled service.
- 4. State Lifeline rate reductions do not apply to service connection charges.
- 5. The Company may not disconnect the service of a State Lifeline customer for the non-payment of toll charges unless the Company has received a waiver from the Commission allowing disconnection of service for this reason.
- 6. Upon subscribing to State Lifeline, a customer will be offered a subscription, at no charge, to toll blocking service (in exchanges where technically available) which denies the customer access to the long distance telecommunications network; however, the customer is under no obligation to accept the subscription to toll blocking.
- 7. The Company will waive number portability charges, subject to the tariff, for the Lifeline customer.
- 8. State Lifeline rate reductions will not be available on a retroactive basis except as directed by the Low Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) or the Commission.

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#### IV. STATE LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### **B.** Designated Lifeline Program Services

The Company shall offer the voice telephony services defined to be qualified, or designated, Lifeline Program service pursuant to 16 TAC § 26.412(e).

#### C. State Eligibility Requirements

1. Qualifying Low-income (Eligible) Customer Criteria

State Lifeline rate reductions will be provided per eligible customer. The applicant must certify that their annual household income is at or below 150% of the annual federal poverty guidelines, be an eligible resident of Tribal lands, or participate in, or have a person or child who resides in the customer household who participates in, a program identified in 16 TAC § 26.412(d) regarding consumer qualifications for Lifeline.

#### 2. Obligations of the Customer

- a. A current customer of the Company may be automatically enrolled in State Lifeline by their participation in the qualifying programs or they may self-enroll by contacting the LIDA.
- b. A customer who is eligible for State Lifeline, but does not have telephone service at the time of application, shall be responsible for initiating a request for service from the Company.
- 3. The LIDA reviews the customer application received and determines if the customer meets the eligibility criteria. The LIDA shall provide a list of eligible customers to the Company on a monthly basis.
- 4. State Lifeline customers will lose their State Lifeline eligibility once they cease to meet income criteria or cease to participate in one of the qualified programs. Customers will be notified by the LIDA for loss of eligibility and an opportunity given to prove eligibility. Reduced billing under State Lifeline will be terminated if eligibility ceases.

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#### IV. STATE LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

## D. Deposit and Credit Requirements

- 1. The Company shall be prohibited from charging a service deposit in order to initiate State Lifeline if the eligible customer voluntarily elects to receive toll blocking.
- 2. The Company may charge a service deposit if:
  - a. The eligible customer denies subscription to toll blocking upon subscribing to State Lifeline.
  - b. The Company receives a Commission waiver from having to provide toll blocking due to technical limitations.
- 3. In instances where the Company may require a service deposit, the same credit verification procedures and deposit regulations used for all applicants who apply for service with the Company are also applicable to eligible customers of State Lifeline.

#### E. Service Connection and Charges

- 1. Service connection charges do not apply to eligible customers with existing, qualifying service converting to State Lifeline.
- 2. Service connection charges do apply when:
  - a. Existing eligible customers requesting additional non-qualifying services at the time Lifeline Program reduced billing is initiated.
  - b. New customers (those without existing local exchange access service) eligible for State Lifeline and establishing qualifying service.
  - c. Any subsequent moves or changes after the initial connection to State Lifeline.
- 3. Applicable service connection charges for the Company are specified in Section 5 of this tariff.

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#### IV. STATE LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

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#### F. State Lifeline Program Rate Reduction

## 1. Implementation

The Company shall provide reduced billing for all State Lifeline eligible customers within its service area after receipt of the list of eligible customers from the LIDA. In instances where the customer makes direct inquiries regarding participation in State Lifeline to the Company, the Company shall make every effort to assist the customer by explaining the necessary steps to become eligible to participate in State Lifeline and direct the customer to the LIDA for completion of the required forms for eligibility certification.

If the eligible customer's existing telephone service arrangements meet State Lifeline criteria, the Company shall provide reduced billing as indicated above.

#### 2. Amounts

The Company shall apply State Lifeline rate reductions, per eligible customer, as described below:

- a. State Reduction. The Company shall give qualifying low-income consumers a state-approved reduction of up to a maximum of \$3.50 in the monthly amount of intrastate charges due in addition to the Area Discount described below.
- b. Area Discount. The Lifeline Area Discount in the Windthorst and Bluegrove Exchanges is \$0.25 and in the Lake Arrowhead Exchange is \$0.43.
- c. Combined Lifeline discounts. The Company shall apply the above discounts, however, the combined discounts shall not result in a rate of less than zero charged for the customer's basic local service.

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# CUSTOMER SERVICES TARIFF LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM

The federal Lifeline Program is a retail local service offering designed to make telephone and/or broadband service available at reduced rates to qualifying low-income customers.

#### A. General

- 1. A qualifying low-income customer subscribing to designated federal Lifeline Program Services, as outlined below, is eligible to receive federal reductions to either his/her monthly tariffed residential local exchange access line rate and federal subscriber line charge or his/her monthly retail rate for an eligible broadband service. The qualifying low-income customer can only receive one federal discount on one service option.
- 2. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a customer who is otherwise eligible for the federal Lifeline Program from obtaining and using telecommunications equipment and services designed to aid such customer in utilizing qualifying telecommunications service.
- 3. The federal Lifeline Program rate reductions do not apply to service connection charges, except that customers eligible for the Tribal Link Up Program will receive a 100% reduction, up to \$100.00, on applicable service connection charges, as provided in Section 5 of this tariff.
- 4. The Company may not disconnect the service of a federal Lifeline Program customer for the non-payment of toll charges unless the Company has received a waiver from the Commission allowing disconnection of service for this reason.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### **A. General** (Continued)

- 5. Upon subscribing to the federal Lifeline Program, a customer will be offered a subscription, at no charge, to toll blocking service (in exchanges where technically available) which denies the customer access to the long distance telecommunications network; however, the customer is under no obligation to accept the subscription to toll blocking.
- 6. The Company will waive number portability charges, subject to the tariff, for the Lifeline customer.
- 7. The federal Lifeline Program rate reductions will only be issued on a going-forward basis and will not be available on a retroactive basis except as directed by LIDA or the Commission.
- 8. The federal Lifeline Program credit will be pro-rated on the basis of a 30-day month from the effective date of the customer's application.
- 9. Partial payments made by Lifeline customers will be applied first toward charges for local service.

#### B. Designated Federal Lifeline Program Services

- 1. The Company shall offer the voice telephony service and broadband service defined to be qualified, or designated, federal Lifeline Program service as enumerated in 47 Code of Federal Regulations §54.101(a)(1) and (2) (relating to Supported Services for Rural, Insular and High Cost Areas).
- 2. For voice service, the federal Lifeline Program rate reductions apply only to basic local exchange service and do not apply to non-basic services, regulated or non-regulated, such as long distance service or custom calling services. Customers may subscribe to these services, where available, at their discretion.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### В. **Designated Federal Lifeline Program Services** (Continued)

- 3. For broadband service, the federal Lifeline Program rate reductions apply to the monthly recurring retail rate for eligible broadband service provisioned by the Company or its affiliated Internet Service Provider.
- 4. All designated federal Lifeline Program services are subject to minimum service standards delineated in 47 Code of Federal Regulations §54.408.

#### C. **Eligibility Requirements**

1. Qualifying Low-income (Eligible) Customer Criteria

> The federal Lifeline Program rate reductions will be provided per eligible customer, limited to one discount per eligible household location. The applicant must certify that their annual household income is at or below 135% of the annual federal poverty guidelines, be an eligible resident of Tribal lands, or participate in, or have a person or child who resides in the customer household who participates in, a program identified in 47 Code of Federal Regulations § 54.409.

#### 2. Obligations of the Customer

- a. A current customer of the Company may be automatically enrolled in the federal Lifeline Program by their participation in the qualifying programs or they may self-enroll by contacting the Texas Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA).
- b. A customer who is eligible for the federal Lifeline Program, but does not subscribe to a designated federal Lifeline Program service at the time of application, shall be responsible for initiating a request for a designated federal Lifeline Program service from the Company before any federal Lifeline Program discounts will be administered.
- 3. The LIDA reviews the customer application received and determines if the customer meets the eligibility criteria for the federal Lifeline Program. The LIDA shall provide a list of eligible customers to the Company on a monthly basis.
- 4. Federal Lifeline Program customers will lose their federal Lifeline Program eligibility once they cease to meet income criteria or cease to participate in one of the qualified programs. Customers will be notified by the LIDA for loss of eligibility and an opportunity given to prove eligibility. Reduced billing under the federal Lifeline Program will be terminated if eligibility ceases.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### D. **Deposit and Credit Requirements**

- 1. The Company shall be prohibited from charging a service deposit for Lifeline voice-only service plans in order to initiate the federal Lifeline Program if the eligible customer voluntarily elects to receive toll blocking.
- The Company may charge a service deposit if: 2.
  - The eligible customer denies subscription to toll blocking upon a. subscribing to the federal Lifeline Program.
  - The Company receives a waiver from having to provide toll blocking b. due to technical limitations.
- 3. In instances where the Company may require a service deposit, the same credit verification procedures and deposit regulations used for all applicants who apply for service with the Company are also applicable to eligible customers of the federal Lifeline Program.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### E. **Service Connection and Charges**

- 1. Service connection charges do not apply to eligible customers with existing, qualifying service converting to the federal Lifeline Program.
- 2. Service connection charges may apply when:
  - Existing eligible customers request additional non-qualifying services a. at the time federal Lifeline Program reduced billing is initiated, or anytime thereafter.
  - b. New customers (those without existing local exchange access service) eligible for the federal Lifeline Program first order a designated federal Lifeline Program service.
  - Existing eligible customers request any subsequent moves or changes c. to their service after the initial connection to the federal Lifeline Program.
- 3. In instances where service connection charges apply, customers qualifying for the federal Lifeline Program may qualify for the Tribal Link-Up Program and may be eligible to receive a reduction in the applicable service connection charges as provided in Section 5 of this tariff.
- Applicable service connection charges for the Company are specified in 4. Section 5 of this tariff.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

#### F. Federal Lifeline Program Rate Reduction

The Company shall provide reduced billing for all federal Lifeline Program eligible customers within its service area after receipt of the list of eligible customers from the LIDA. In instances where the customer makes direct inquiries regarding participation in the Lifeline program to the Company, the Company shall make every effort to assist the customer by explaining the necessary steps to become eligible to participate in the Lifeline Program and direct the customer to the LIDA for completion of the required forms for eligibility certification.

- 1. If the eligible customer's existing voice or broadband service arrangements meet the federal Lifeline Program criteria, the Company shall provide reduced billing as indicated above.
- 2. If the eligible customer's existing voice or broadband service arrangements do not meet the federal Lifeline Program criteria, the Company shall:
  - a. advise the eligible customer by direct mail of the impending termination of his or her Lifeline service; and
  - b. allow a subscriber 30 days following the date of the impending termination letter required to demonstrate continued eligibility.
  - c. If the eligible customer chooses to make the necessary changes to their service arrangements, the eligible customer will receive reduced billing per the federal Lifeline Program at the time the change is effective or at the time new service is established.
- 3. If the Company charges a federal End User Common Line Charge (a.k.a. Federal Subscriber Line Charge), the federal Lifeline Program support amount must be applied to waive the federal End User Common Line Charge for federal Lifeline Program subscribers.

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#### V. FEDERAL LIFELINE PROGRAM (Continued)

## G. Federal Lifeline Program Support Amount

The Company shall apply federal Lifeline Program rate reductions, per eligible customer, as described below.

- 1. The Company shall grant federal support to qualifying low-income consumers up to \$9.25 per month, subject to the support amount directed by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 Code of Federal Regulations §54.403 regarding Lifeline support amount.
- 2. The federal Lifeline Program discounts shall not result in a rate of less than zero charged for the customer's qualifying voice or broadband service.
- 3. Tribal Lands Support Amount (where applicable). Additional federal Lifeline support of up to \$25 per month will be made available to qualifying eligible residents of Tribal lands.

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### **Community Telephone Company**

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## Response to Line 3010 – Milestone Certification (47 CFR §54.313(f)(1)(i))

Community Telephone Company ("Company") hereby certifies that throughout 2016, it took reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time. If a request for broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream is unreasonable, the Company offers broadband service at the highest available speed.

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# ATTACHMENT - LINE 3017 ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY